MYSORE ACT No. II OF 1897.

THE EPIDEMIC DISEASES ACT, 1897.

(PASSED ON THE 11TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 1897.)

An Act to provide for the prevention of the outbreak or spread of dangerous Epidemic Disease.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the prevention of the outbreak or spread of dangerous epidemic disease in [1][the State of Mysore except Ballary District] ; Her Highness the Maharani-Regent is pleased to enact as follows :—

Title.

1. (i) This Act may be called " The Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 " ;

Extent.

(ii) It extends to the [1][whole of the State of Mysore except Bellary District] ; and

Commencement.

(iii) It shall come into force at once.

Power to take special measures and prescribe regulations as to dangerous epidemic disease.

2. (i) When at any time the Government of Mysore is satisfied that [1][the State of Mysore except Bellary District] or any part thereof is visited or threatened with, an outbreak of any dangerous epidemic disease, the said Government, if it thinks that the ordinary provisions of the law for the time being in force are insufficient for the purpose, may take such measures and, by public notice, prescribe such temporary regulations to be observed by the public or any person or class of persons, as it shall deem necessary to prevent the outbreak of such disease or the spread thereof, and may determine in what manner and by whom any expenses incurred (including compensation, if any) shall be defrayed.

(ii) The Government of Mysore may require or empower any person to take such measures as he shall deem necessary to prevent the outbreak of such disease or the spread thereof.

(iii) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions, the Government of Mysore may take measures and prescribe regulations for the inspection of persons travelling by railway or

1. See the Mysore Adaptation of Laws Order, 1956.

otherwise, and the segregation in hospital, temporary accommodation or otherwise, of persons suspected by the inspecting officer of being infected with any such disease.

Penalty.

3. Any person disobeying any regulation or order made under this Act shall be deemed to have committed an offence punishable under section 188 of the Indian Penal Code.

Protection to persons acting under Act.

4. No suit or other legal proceeding shall lie against any person for anything done, or in good faith intended to be done, under this Act.